Tourist visits to Jammu and Kashmir

1357. SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether large number of tourists have visited Jammu and Kashmir during the period from January to November, 1994;

(b) if so, the details thereof, month-wise;

(c) whether large number of these tourists were foreign nationals;

(d) if so, details thereof month-wise;

(e) whether the tourists are provided police protection in view of terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (d) The statistics of month-wise tourist traffic to Jammu and Kashmir during 1994 as furnished by the State Government is as given below:—

Month	1994		
	Domestic	Foreign	Total
January	159300	277	159577
February	92649	1008	93657
March	263052	494	263546
April	354603	792	355395
May	415679	742	416421
June	520072	2028	522100
July	254435	7032	261467
August	366297	7570	373867
September	292273	3123	295396
October	377544	901	378445
TOTAL:	3095904	23967	3119871

(e) and (f) The police and Para Military Forces do maintain great vigil on the terrorism activities in the State. However, no police cover is given to individual tourists.

Religious and tourist places in the country

1358. SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of Tourist and religious places exist in the country;

(b) if so, the location thereof, state-wise and Union Territory-wise;

(c) whether these places are visited during different period of the year;

(d) if so, the details thereof separately for religious places and tourist places;